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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Historical Staff

SUBJECT

: Suggestions for the Blue Pamphlet

1. In line with our conversation on Friday, I suggest the following as a substitute for the next to the last paragraph on page 10 of the current Blue Pamphlet:

The amount of pay of the Director and the Deputy Director, as well as that of the cabinet and all high-level civilian positions in the executive, legislative and judicial branches of the Goverment, is provided for by the Government Employees Salary Reform Act of 1964 and the Federal Salary Act of 1967 and subsequent legislative and executive actions. The 1964 Act lists for pay purposes each cabinet and other high-level position in the executive branch in one of five categories, Levels I through V. Cabinet positions are placed in Level I; the position of the Director of Central Intelligence is among those placed in Level II and that of the Deputy Director in Level III. Under the procedures established by the 1967 Act for adjusting the pay of top-level positions, the current pay for Levels II and III was established in early 1969 at \$42,500 and \$40,000, respectively.

2. Incidentally, the paragraph which the above would replace is in error. Public Law 90-206 did not establish the annual salary of the Director and the Deputy Director at \$42,500 and \$40,000. That Act raised the Deputy Director's salary to \$29,500 and allowed the then current Director's salary to remain at \$30,000. It did establish the Commission on Executive, Legislative and Judicial Salaries and charged it with recommending to the President salary levels for

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senior Government positions, after which the President would include in his budget message to Congress his recommendations as to the salaries. If Congress fails to act on his recommendations within 30 days, the presidentially recommended salaries then become effective. This procedure under the 1967 statute is to take place every four years.

3. I have one other suggestion in the Blue Pamphlet, which I did not mention in our conversation Friday, which is to include some sort of a preface page to indicate what the pamphlet is. The present pamphlet does not indicate its authorship. Similarly, would it not be well to date it?

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